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## REMARKS

Claims 2-6, 8-12 and 68-69 are amended, claim 89 is added and claim 1 is canceled. Claims 2-6, 8-27, 36-48, 67-69, 71, 73, and 75-89 are pending.

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on June 25, 2009, the Examiner asserts that other amendments were made to the claim version found in a prior response which was not entered due to a non-compliant amendment. In particular, in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on March 4, 2009, the Examiner asserted that amendments had been made to claim 1 which were not indicated by strike-through or underlining. Although Applicant's Representative disagrees with the Examiner's assessment, to remedy the issue, claim 1 is canceled and replaced with new claim 89.

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## CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney at (612) 373-6959 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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